

## NOTES &amp; NEWS

## On the Correct Spelling

of *Cadlina limbaughorum* Lance, 1962

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BEHRENS (1980: 54 and 106) introduced a new suffix, *-orum* for the trivial name, *Cadlina limbaughi* Lance, 1962. No explanation was given for the revised spelling, except that the accompanying explanation of the name derivation (p. 54) specified dual patronymy honoring Conrad and Nan Limbaugh.

Recommendation 31A (XVIth Congress of Zoology) of the International Code of Zoological Nomenclature (MAYR, 1969) states: "A species-group name, if a noun formed from a modern personal name, should usually end in . . . *-orum* if of men or of man (men) and women . . ." I was originally advised of the incorrect spelling by Mr. James R. Lance, who learned of the ICZN ruling subsequent to his publication of the species description and the patronymical recognition of the Limbaughs. Whereas LANCE (1962: 157) states "The specific name *limbaughi* was chosen to honor the late Conrad Limbaugh who was the first to collect this and many other subtidal species of opisthobranchs, and Mrs. Nan Limbaugh whose interest in this group has resulted in the acquisition of previously unknown bathymetric distributions for many forms," it seems therefore that an inadvertent error in spelling has occurred and that under Article 32a(ii) of the code (MAYR, 1969) the spelling should be changed to reflect mandatory rules. Therefore, *Cadlina limbaughorum* is a justified emendation, and is the senior objective synonym over *C. limbaughi*.

The corrected spelling, *Cadlina limbaughorum* Lance, 1962/emended Behrens, 1980/, of the name was mistakenly listed by McDONALD & NYBAKKEN (1981) as a synonym of *C. limbaughi*. Furthermore, they erroneously cite BEHRENS, 1980, as author of the species.

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